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IRS Chief Counsel Selects David Hasen as 2008-2009 Professor in Residence

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WASHINGTON — Internal Revenue Service Chief Counsel Donald L. Korb has selected David Hasen as the 2008-2009 Professor in Residence.

The IRS professor in residence reports directly to the chief counsel and provides advice and assistance on a wide array of legal issues within the scope of his or her expertise.

“We are excited to have David join us in the fall to carry on the fine tradition we reinstituted last year when first Calvin Johnson, and after him Gregg Polsky, joined us as professors in residence,” Korb said. “It is an extremely worthwhile program for both our lawyers, particularly the more recent hires, and for the law professors.”

Polsky’s term as professor in residence will end on June 30. Hasen will serve a nine-month term starting in late October.

Hasen has been an assistant professor at the University of Michigan Law School since 2002. Also during the spring 2008 term, he has been a visiting faculty member at the University of Southern California Gould School of Law. Previously, he taught as a visitor at Hastings College of the Law.

Hasen has written about the taxation of financial instruments, the tax consequences of unwinding transactions and the taxation of advance payments. Hasen worked as an associate in the tax departments of Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP, and Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, P.C., in San Francisco. He holds a J.D. from Yale Law School, a Ph.D. from Harvard University and a B.A. from Reed College.

The IRS Office of Chief Counsel revived its Professor in Residence program in 2006 after being dormant since the late 1980s. The program provides some of the nation’s top legal academicians the opportunity to contribute to the development of legal tax policy and administration.